

## JOHNSON OF MOSELEY IN BUSHBURY, STAFFS

ARMS:\*----- on a bend ----- between two shacklebolts ----- three pheons ----- on a chief a demi-lion rampant issuant ----- between two lozenges ----- (Respited for proof)

CREST:

George Johnson of Keyesby, Lincs Esquire c1577-c1610  
m c1607 Muriel Middlemore dau of Richard Middlemore of Edgbaston, Warwicks  
c1535-....  
QV

Will (...) 23 Oct 1608/-----

chn: Francis Johnson d in infancy

John Johnson b c1610; (aged 54) 1664 below

John Johnson of Moseley in Bushbury, Staffs gentleman c1610-  
m Margaret Becket dau of Thomas Becket of Moseley, Staffs  
(a Catholic landowner) \*1648; (aged 54, certified Visitation) 25 Apr 1664; (as Mr, 3  
hearths, Moseley) 1666 HT  
chn: John Johnson [1] b c1636; (aged 28) 1664  
George Johnson [2]  
Mary Johnson [1] m John Watkinson of Yorks  
Margaret Johnson [2]

Thomas Johnson of Moseley in Bushbury, Staffs

m Dorothy -----

(as of Moseley, an English Catholic Nonjuror, had a House in Moseley in fee and one  
at Cannock, for lives of Dorothy his wife and Thomas Stringer, in Staffs, worth æ  
pa) \*1715 [ESTCOURT 241]

Caesar Johnson of Shelfield, Warwicks gentleman

(a Catholic with a Staffordshire estate worth æ30) \*1715

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\*1614/64; \*1664/1700; IGI (3/11/04)

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## JOHNSON OF LICHFIELD, STAFFS

ARMS:

CREST:

**William Johnson of Cubley, Derbys yeoman c1627-1672**

m Catherine -----; i 10 Jan 1691.2 Lichfield St Mary

i 28 Feb 1671.2 Lichfield St Michael

(of Cubley) ....-c1664

(of Tamworth Street, Lichfield) 1666-7

(of Bird Street OR Sandford Street ward) c1668-9

(of Bore Street) 1670-1

chn: [?] Catherine ----- b c1651; m c1685 Gerard Skrymsher of Woodseaves in High  
Offley, Staffs M.D. 1618-1700 QV; d 27 Jul 1725 aged 74; i as Anne in PRINTED

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Jul 1725 High Offley; M.I.; Adm (...) 27 May 1726 to son Charles

[POSSIBLY DAUGHTER OF CATHERINE BY A PREVIOUS HUSBAND]

Michael Johnson c 2 Apr 1657 Cubley below

Benjamin Johnson c 24 Feb 1658.9 Cubley

Andrew Johnson c 7 Dec 1660 Cubley; d 1729 (bookseller)

Margaret Johnson c 2 Aug 1663 Cubley; [? m 23 Feb 1692.3 Lichfield St Chad:

John

Lyndon of Lichfield, Staffs joiner 1658-....; (and had chn: Catherine, Mary)]

**Michael Johnson of Lichfield, Staffs bookseller 1657-1731**

c 2 Apr 1657 Cubley

m (*licenced only, 30 Dec 1686*) Mary Neild dau of Luke Neild of Derby

m 19 Jun 1706 Packwood: Sarah Ford 3rd dau of Cornelius Ford of Packwood, Warwicks  
yeoman; c 6 Apr 1669 Packwood; i 23 Jan 1759 Lichfield St Michael

i 7 Dec 1731 Lichfield St Michael

(apprenticed to Richard Simpson of London stationer) 1673-81

(Sheriff, Lichfield) 1709

(Junior Bailiff, Lichfield) 1718

(Senior Bailiff, Lichfield) 1725

chn: Samuel Johnson c 17 Sep 1709 Lichfield St Mary; (lexicographer) [ODNB]

Nathaniel Johnson c 14 Oct 1712 Lichfield St Mary

JOHNSON (MICHAEL), bookseller in Lichfield, Uttoxeter, Ashby-de-la-Zouche, and Birmingham, 1685-1731. Celebrated as the father of Samuel Johnson. Born in 1656, son of William Johnson, yeoman, of Cubley, Derbyshire, who removed to Lichfield and died there in or soon after 1663, and brother of Benjamin and Andrew Johnson (q. v.). In 1673 he was apprenticed to Richard Simpson, and in 1685 was made free of the Stationers' Company, The story in Boswell about his apprenticeship at Leek is apocryphal. He remembered in later years the great sale of Absalom and Achitopkel. In 1687 he published a work, 4>ap/AaKo-Baoui'os, by Dr. Sir John Floyer of Lichfield, which was printed for him in London, " to be sold at his shops at Litchfield and Uttoxiter, in , Staffordshire ; and Ashby-de-la-Zouch, in Leicestershire ". At Birmingham, .Ti and probably at Uttoxeter and Ashby-de-la-Zouch also, he opened his shop on market days only. He was a man of much learning, but " wrong headed, positive, and afflicted with melancholy," like his greater son, whom he also resembled in stature; he was moreover unmethodical and kept no accounts. He embarked in the manufacture of parchment and lost his money, so that his later years were spent in increasing poverty. But he served many offices in the City of Lichfield, including Sheriff in 1709 and Senior Bailiff in 1725. He married, in 1706, Sarah Ford, of a Worcestershire family, and had two sons, Samuel, and Nathanael; the latter died in early manhood. He died in December 1731. His two brothers, Benjamin and Andrew, were also booksellers,, [Boswell, ed. G. Birkbeck Hill, I. 34-7 ; A. L. Reade, Johnsonian Gleanings, and letter, Times Lit. Suppl., January 6th, 1921, p. n.]

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John Johnson of Fourd (? in Leek, Staffs) "gentleman" ??

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